

# U. S. FLEET SINKS J-BOATS

Many Signs of Destruction Visible After Use of Depth Bombs.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—No U-boat has been captured by the American fleet in European waters. It is the best judgment of high officials, however, that several have been sunk by Admiral Sims' destroyers and they are confident that the submarine menace will be substantially abated as the number of destroyers and other craft available for the work is increased.

Reports from London that the submarines are working farther afield than formerly were confirmed by the navy department. It may be that new boats of greater size and better equipped with modern machinery are being sent to the zone of activities, but it is regarded as more probable that increased vigilance of the anti-submarine forces is mainly responsible.

The effect of the increasing patrol of the employment of airplanes and the addition of new devices to the anti-submarine weapons has been to force the U-boats under water to a greater degree. Their effectiveness is limited in proportion. They cannot run down a merchant ship of average speed if kept under water. They can operate only against ships that almost stumble upon them and all the time they are under water they are consuming the stored power of their storage batteries, decreasing their range of under water action and compelling them to come up at night and lie idle on the surface while their oil engines are used to recharge the batteries.

The decision of the navy department to spend \$25,000,000 on new destroyers and destroyers building facilities, approved Thursday by President Wilson is based on the effectiveness of the swift fighting machines as proved by Admiral Sims' forces.

Every effort to speed the new program as well as the old will be made and during the next year the American destroyer force in European waters probably can be more than doubled.

**Depth Bomb in Use.** Destroyers now under construction are being rushed to completion and reports on progress are satisfactory. American experts have developed a depth bomb for use against submarines that is deadly at considerable range. The bomb containing high explosive, is dropped from a destroyer over a spot where the presence of a submarine is indicated. It is timed to explode at a certain depth. If the explosion occurs below the U-boat and within a reasonable distance, the hull of the under water craft cannot withstand the pressure but is crushed like an eggshell.

**Signs of Destruction.** Signs of the destruction in the shape of oil from fuel tanks, bits of floating wreckage and the like, it is made at a rate of very few miles an hour. It is argued, therefore, that by means of aircraft, destroyers and other agencies the destruction of submarines, a zone 150 miles or less in width could be drawn about the German bases or the entrance of the North sea in which a submarine could come to the surface only at rare intervals. The Germans would not be able to operate on a scale to threaten supply lines, except inside that zone.

**Quicken Destruction of the Allied governments are as to future policy against the U-boats, rapid development of the devices for checking the under water campaign, accelerated by the entrance of the United States into the war, are taken into account as to indicate that a ray may be found in the end to dispose of the menace. Results of U-boat action, however, will be closely watched as having a bearing on the subject.**

**Restore Death Penalty In The Russian Army For Good of Discipline.** London, Eng., Aug. 31.—At the conclusion of the Moscow conference, Premier Kerezhnev announced the partial reestablishment of the death penalty as a necessary measure of army discipline, according to the "Central News" Petrograd correspondent who quotes the premier as saying:

"A minister of justice, I abolished the death penalty, but as minister of war, I decided it necessary partially to reestablish it. This reestablishment hurts to the very soul but for the salvation of the country we will kill with all our souls. The army must be organized and disciplined, each combatant occupying his proper place and each recognizing his duty as well as his right."

**GERMANS BRUTAL TO PRISONERS.** Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—Starved, beaten and subjected to many indignities, prisoners of war in Germany are being compelled to work in trench and field under the fire from the armies of their countries.

Reports made by Russian soldiers who have escaped from Germany, which have been transmitted to the state department, say prisoners of all nationalities are being used on work just behind the lines and within range of the guns.

A small portion of bread, some thin soup and occasionally a bit of meat of horses shot in action, comprise their rations. The prisoners have been organized into units and are carefully used as soldiers. Their work is done systematically under military supervision and the line has been no medical attention. When the Russian soldiers left many of the units had lost by disease practically half their number.

**GERMANY TOO CORDIAL; ARGENTINA IS SUSPICIOUS.** Rio Janeiro, Aug. 31.—The German note to Argentina, settling the Tero incident and promising that the Argentine ships will be respected hereafter, is couched in such cordial terms that it has given rise to suspicion in well informed political circles here, where surprise is expressed at the promptness and unhesitating compliance of Germany toward a country which does not belong to the alliance.

The general impression here is surprise and distrust.

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## School Week Offers Girls' Frocks At Just Half Price



THE biggest sale of Girls' School Dresses of the entire year. Not only this, but the lowest prices on high grade washable dresses that we have ever offered.

That means as all our customers will agree with us, the best values in girls' dresses in El Paso.

Among the many beautiful frocks, you will select from here Saturday at exactly half of their original price, are sheer handkerchief lined in Blouse Frocks effects, Empire models, as well as Gretchen, Regulation, Gimpis, and many other styles fashioned of French Gingham, Linens, Pique, Repps and Kinder Cloth.

The colors include Copenhagen, Cadet, Navy, Greens of several shades, as well as Browns, Tans, Rose, and White.

Checks that are small, medium, and large, neat stripes, beautiful plaids, and serviceable solids will be seen in abundance. Styles are short or three-quarter length sleeves. Sizes 2 to 16 years. "Be sure to see Mesa Ave. window display of these dresses." The mammoth reduced prices are:

\$ 2.00 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$1.00
\$ 3.00 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$1.50
\$ 5.00 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$2.50
\$ 7.50 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$3.75
\$ 9.00 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$4.50
\$11.50 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$5.75
\$15.00 Washable School Frocks, at.....	\$7.50

## Girls New Fall Coats At Wholesale Prices

SOUNDS rather odd to sell new garments at end-of-season prices or less—but we bought them right and we are going to share our good fortune with "Popular" customers. They are beautiful creations in youthful models, fashioned of staple and novelty plushes, velvets, zibelines, and rich fancy woolsens. All sizes from 2 to 16 years. The wholesale prices, which are our retail prices, are from

**\$3 To \$15** (Fourth Floor)

## Girls' Bath Robes Less Than Half

THEY are made of excellent quality blanket materials, in Indian, Floral and other attractive patterns. Like the item above, it was an excellent buy. Sizes 2 to 12 years. See case display then come in and buy.

Values to \$1.25, at..... 50c  
Values to \$2.45, at..... \$1.00  
Values to \$3.45, at..... \$1.50 (Fourth Floor)

## Middy Blouses, Including Regulation High School

REGULATION MIDDY BLOUSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL WEAR—Just received Thursday. They're made of an exceptionally fine quality white drill and braided in a most nifty manner. Some have large black Windsor ties that add greatly to their appearance. Every one wears the "Bob Evans" label, which assures its owner that it's a high grade middy. Each, \$1.95 and **\$1.45** (Fourth Floor)

## New Kid Gloves, Veils, Neckwear, Kerchiefs, Buttons, Bags, Hosiery & Correspondence Cards

50 DOZEN PIECES OF WOMEN'S SAMPLE NECKWEAR—In a variety of Fall styles. Made of Georgette Crepe, Satins, Laces, Nets and Organdies. All white or dainty colored effects. Flat collars and collar and cuffs sets. Tuxedo (or roll collars), vests and gimpes. Values up to \$2.50, 95c; values up to \$1.25, **59c**

WOMEN'S KID GLOVES—Black, white, tan, brown or grey. One to four-clasp styles. Slightly imperfect and broken sizes. Positively not guaranteed. Extra special, **95c** a pair, at

SPECIAL PURCHASE OF 100 DOZEN WOMEN'S KERCHIEFS—Shamrock lawn or batiste Handkerchiefs. Hem-stitched. All white or colored borders. White or colored embroidered designs. Extra special, each, **10c**

THE NEW FISH SCALE MESH PURSES—For children. Shown in the most striking color combination. Each, at **50c**

WOMEN'S FIBER SILK HOSE—Black only. Full range of sizes. Extra special, a pair, at **33c**

## New Autumn Dresses Of Navy Blue Serge Are A Delight, At \$10.00



OUR dress department on the Fifth Floor, has just received a lot of these charming frocks, which every woman will find as becoming as they are useful—

Fashion rules that simple lines will hold sway this Fall and Winter—and these pretty new models fulfill every law of fashion, for they depict natural lines and great simplicity—

For the woman who likes severe lines there are many tailored styles with tight fitting sleeves and mannish notched collars—

And for those who like somewhat "fussier" things—models with sashes and girdles—embroidered and beaded panels—bolero effects and coat styles—pleats are also very much in evidence—

Besides those of navy serge there are others of tan and gray—so many smart, attractive ones from which to choose that you're sure to find exactly what you want. While the special lot lasts, choose, at **\$10.00**. Come here early Saturday for first and best choice. (Fifth Floor)

## \$5.00 Gossard, Mme. Lyra & Franco Corsets, At \$3.95

JUST for Saturday, we make this sensational offer, and this is done to bring you into our newly enlarged Corset Department, just opposite the elevators, on the Fourth Floor.

These three standard makes of Corsets need no introduction to the women of the Southwest. They are and have been our three leading lines for a number of years.

With the assistance of our expert corsetieres you're sure to get the model best suited to your figure. Remember, this offer is for Saturday's selling only, so do not fail to take advantage of this rare opportunity if you are in need of a new corset. (Fourth Floor)

## Final Clearance Of Women's Wash Dresses Formerly To \$15, More Than 20 Styles \$4.95 Women's & Misses' Sizes

TWO hundred in this special close-out! Wonderful values—one and all. And the styles are suitable for wear on almost any occasion. The dresses are made of voiles and organdies in white, plain colors and fancy colored effects, combined with dainty laces and various embroidery effects. Some show a touch of color in the embroidery or in the trimming which may be of silk or velvet ribbon.



These wash dresses which go on sale Saturday morning include dresses that would sell in the regular way up to \$15.00. All are priced at **\$4.95** tomorrow. The styles tell a stronger story of value than anything that we might add here. We cannot emphasize too strongly the fact that similar dresses have never been sold in El Paso at anywhere near this sale price. The types are similar to the one shown in the illustration and in every way carry out Dame Fashion's latest dictates. (Fifth Floor)

## Get One Of These New Fall Hats Tomorrow, At \$10.00

MADAM, it is a mistake to delay the purchase of a Fall hat. The fashions are set, and every day we are receiving hats which are being sold and will not be duplicated.

Nothing makes a woman appear so smart as an early New Hat, just as nothing places her at such a disadvantage as a motor-blown, rain-beaten, sun-faded dilapidated Summer hat

We call your especial attention to our newly received line of \$10 trimmed hats—copies of French models. Hats which carry out the style themes of the world-wide celebrated creators of fashions—a broadly varied collection which will provide a hat in perfect conformity to the newest modes—a hat for every type of face—a hat to meet every demand. Included are the roll-brim, mushroom and new Papal crown hats in brown, taupe, navy, grape, purple and black. Every one a value extraordinary, at each, **\$10.00**. May we have the pleasure of seeing you here on Saturday? (Fifth Floor)

## Silk & Muslin Underwear Lowly Priced For Saturday

WOMEN will delight in the daintiness of these silk and muslin undergarments, and be agreeably surprised by the modest prices at which they are to be sold. All are made in daylight factories, under the most sanitary conditions. Every garment is beautifully fashioned and are delightfully attractive in their new styles. Come Saturday and participate in this event. (4th Floor)



SILK CAMISOLES—Made of an excellent quality silk crepe de chine, in pink or flesh; trimmed in a charming manner with pretty laces and ribbons. Garments you would expect to see selling at \$1.00, offered special each, **59c**

\$2.45 SILK "TEDDY BEARS," \$1.95—Charming styles, developed of fine quality silk crepe de chine, in flesh and pink shades. Tailored models, and others elaborately trimmed in gorgeous laces, ribbons and ribbon rosettes. Our \$2.45 values, each **\$1.95**

WOMEN'S \$1.45 CREPE NIGHT GOWNS, 95c—Fashioned of an exceptionally good grade cotton crepe, in pink, blue, white and floral designs on pink grounds; numerous styles showing fancy stitchery and silk ribbons. Our regular \$1.45 values, **95c** at each,

## Washable Skirts That Formerly Sold at \$3.95 & \$4.95, Now 50c

ALL-WHITE in plain and self striped gabardines, in pique, madras—novelty patterns in white gabardine printed in bold, vividly colored designs, wets and white gabardine in Khaki Kool effects. Many trimmed in pearl buttons, fancy cut pockets and belts. The offer includes our entire assortment—practically every skirt has been received within the past ten days—and will be of splendid service for several weeks. First choice is best choice. Skirts that sold the first of the season at \$3.95 and \$4.95, now offered at each, **50c** (New Down-Steps Store)

## School Week In The Boys' Own Store

BOYS' Fall Norfolk Suits, new Trench models. Fancy mixtures in greys or browns. Two pair full lined, button bottom knickerbockers. Sizes 7 to 16 years. With two pair pants, \$5.95, or with one pair pants, **\$4.95**

ALL WOOL SERGE NORFOLK SUITS—Made Pina Back, 3-piece belly full lined, button knee knickerbockers. Good navy shade. Sizes 5 to 18 years. Each, at **\$5.95**

WOOLEN FALL WEIGHT-TRENCH NORFOLK SUITS—WITH ONE PAIR PANTS—For boys of 6 to 12 years. Exceptionally well tailored. Good grey, tan, brown or blue mixtures, in selected weaves for wear. A handsome suit for school or for dress wear. Each, at **\$5.95**

NORFOLK SUITS—With two pair pants. The best tailoring fit and finish. Fine quality woolsens in new and pleasing weaves and colors. Novelty or staple models. Sizes 4 to 18 years. With two pair of pants, at \$12.50, \$10.00 and **\$7.50**

WASH SUITS—For the 2 to 8 year lad, we offer long sleeve wash suits, in Middy or Tommy Tucker styles. Good ginghams, percales and madras. A suit, at **95c**

WASH SUITS—2 to 8 year sizes. Long sleeve wash suits in fine madras, Oxford cloth and French chambray. Priced at a suit, **\$1.35**

CORDEUR KNICKERS—Are great for the school boy. See these here, in single seat, double seat or double seat and knee. A pair, at **\$1.25 To \$2.50**

SPECIAL IN WOOLEN TROUSERS—Button knee. Greys or browns. Sizes 1 to 17 years. A pair, at **\$1.00**

CLEAN-UP SALE ON BOYS' HEADWEAR—Wash, straw and silk hats for large or small boys. Former values from 50c to \$2.00. While they last, your choice, at each, **25c**

BOYS' BLOUSES & SHIRTS—Colors are guaranteed absolutely fast. Adjustable belts on the blouses. Many new patterns for Fall. Tailored, dressy, garments, up to our usual standards. Blouses 4 to 16 years; shirts for boys 12 to 18 years. Materials are madras, percale, chambray and ging. 60c

SAMPSON'S SKELETON UNDERWEAISTS—For boys of 4 to 12 years. Buy a Sampson skeleton underwear. Made with steel buttons that can't come off; hose supporters attached. Each, at **75c**

BOYS' CAPS—For school. Made in woolsens, mixtures, plaids and checks. Good, full shapes; lined or taped seams. Each, at **50c**

GRAVENETTED WOOLEN CAPS—In golf styles; handsome new Fall patterns for boys. Each, at **\$1.00**

SCHOOL HATS—in clever new Fall shapes. Novelty patterns, solids, checks and stripes. Styles for small or large boys. Each, at \$1.00, **50c** and **75c**

SPECIAL IN BOYS' SWEATERS—Grey with sham collar. A suitable weight for Fall and Winter. Sizes 6 to 12 years. Anticipate your wants. Each, at **\$1.25**

COMPLETE ASSORTMENTS FOR FALL AND WINTER—in boys' pajamas, overcoats, underwear, flannel shirts and blouses, fine headwear, sweaters and all small furnishings. We will fit your boys carefully in school clothing of merit. Bring him here! See window displays. (Fourth Floor)

## Toilet Goods On Sale All Day

Mme. Isabell's Face Powder.....39c  
Kewpie Soap, at a Cake.....10c  
Mme. Isabell's Toilet Water, In Assorted Odors.....43c  
Jergen's Benzoin & Almond Lotion 19c  
Seven Ounce Bottle of Lambert's Listerine.....29c  
Nadine Skin Soap, a Cake, at.....18c  
Euthymol Tooth Paste.....15c  
25c Bottle of Witch Hazel.....18c  
30c Dry Rouge, at a Box.....32c  
Half Pound Can Williams' Throat-Reviver Cold Cream.....29c  
Revier's Violet Talcum.....18c  
Mercolized Wax, at a Cake.....59c  
\$1.00 Bottle Newbro's Herpicide 79c (First Floor)

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